IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

PACETTI, Stephen D. Group Art Unit: 1615

Serial No.: 10/805,036 Examiner: Kennedy, Sharon E.

Filed: 16 March 2004 Confirmation No.: 7967

For: BIOLOGICALLY ABSORBABLE COATINGS FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICES BASED ON COPOLYMERS HAVING ESTER BONDS AND

METHODS FOR FABRICATING THE

SAME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

With regard to the non-final office action mailed 9 January 2008, please take the following actions and consider the remarks below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the separate pages that follow.